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3,384,857	05-21-1968	Stoutenburgh	Combination Battery Terminal
5,707,758	01-13-1998	Iwatsu et al.	Secondary Battery
6,071,638	06-06-2000	Fradin	Cylindrical Cell Having Current Output Terminal Connected to Electrode by Conductive Blade Members
6,399,237	06-04-2002	Souliac, et al.	Sealed Storage Cell With an Aluminum Terminal

Foreign References:

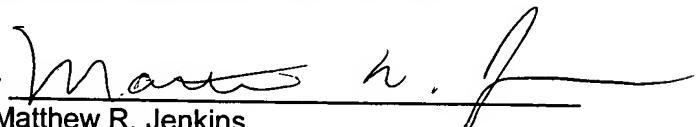
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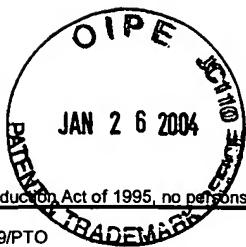
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